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SUBJECT: VISIT OF MEMBERS OF PRESIDENTIAL INTERCHANGE TO BERLIN

1. MISSION HAS HAD SEVERAL EXCHANGES OF CORRESPONDENCE WITH MS. JAN ZESZUTEK, EDUCATION AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS DIRECTOR, PRESEIDENT'S COMMISSION ON PERSONNEL INTERCHANGE, ABOUT VISIT TO BERLIN FROM FEBRUARY 23 TO 26 BY 60 MEMBERS OF PRESIDENTIAL INTERCHANGE ACCOMPANIED BY 35 SPOUSES. CONTROL OFFICER FOR WEST BERLIN PORTION OF VISIT IS POLITICAL OFFICER WILLIAM LANDFAIR.

2. MS. ZESZUTEK TELEPHONED LANDFAIR LATE JANUARY 13 TO INQUIRE ABOUT STATUS OF PREPARATIONS FOR VISIT AND TO EXPRESS CONCERN THAT RECENT GDR ACTIONS COULD AFFECT VISIT OF GROUP TO EAST BERLIN. LANDFAIR ASSURED MS. ZESZUTEK THAT SINCE MISSION PLANNED TO HAVE GROUP TAKEN TO EAST BERLIN ON FEBRUARY 25 BY U.S. MILITARY BUSES WITH MILITARY DRIVERS, THERE WOULD BE NO PROBLEM. LANDFAIR REMINDED HER THAT ALL MEMBERS OF THE PARTY SHOULD BE IN POSSESSION OF VALID U.S. PASSPORT AND ANY  
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MILITARY MEMBERS SHOULD BE IN UNIFORM. MS. ZESZUTEK REPLIED THAT ALL OF EXCHANGES AND SPOUSES HAD VALID PASSPORTS AND NONE OF THEM WERE IN MILITARY.

3. MS. ZESZUTEK ALSO EXPRESSED CONCERN ABOUT TRANSPORTATION WITHIN WEST BERLIN. WE HAVE CONFIRMED WITH

BERLIN SENAT THAT ALL TRANSPORTATION WITHIN WEST BERLIN WILL BE PROVIDED BY SENAT, INCLUDING TRAVEL TO AND FROM TEGEL AIRPORT. AS NOTED IN PARA 2, TRANSPORTATION FOR EAST BERLIN PORTION OF VISIT WILL BE BY U.S. MILITARY BUSES. WE HAVE ALSO CONFIRMED THAT GROUP WILL BE MEETING WITH GOVERNING MAYOR SCHUETZ AND PRESIDENT OF HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES LORENZ AND THAT MAYOR LUEDER WILL BE HOSTING LUNCH FOR GROUP, INCLUDING SPOUSES, ON FEBRUARY 24.

4. PREPARATION OF FINAL PROGRAM FOR VISIT BY SENAT PROTOCOL STAFF HAS BEEN POSTPONED UNTIL END OF JANUARY SINCE THEY COMPLETELY TIED UP WITH VISIT TO BERLIN OF FRENCH FOREIGN MINISTER ON JANUARY 19 AND 20 AND VICE PRESIDENT MONDALE'S VISIT ON JANUARY 26. AT TIME OF PREPARATION OF FINAL PROGRAM, QUESTION OF ATTENDANCE AT VARIOUS CULTURAL PRESENTATIONS WILL BE ADDRESSED.

5. MISSION WOULD BE GRATEFUL IF FOREGOING COULD BE CONVEYED TO MS. ZESZUTEK. DAVIS

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